

# Consulate General of the United States of America

Montreal, Canada P.O. Box 65, Station Desjardins Montreal, Quebec, Canada H5B 1G1

### SECURITY NOTICE TO ALL VISITORS

Please note that all visitors to the U.S. Consulate General in Montreal must be screened prior to entry and are subject to inspection via a walk-through metal detector and with a hand-held metal detector. Carried personal items are will undergo full inspection by use of an X-ray machine and other equipment. Any visitor who declines to be screened by U.S. Consulate security personnel will be prohibited from entering the Consulate.

Because personal items must be screened before entrance, bringing unnecessary articles will delay your entrance to the Consulate as these are examined. In order to facilitate your entrance to the Consulate and reduce your waiting time at the security checkpoint, we recommend that you leave behind any unnecessary personal items. If you leave them in your car, be sure to put them in the trunk and lock your car; do not leave any personal items in view in the passenger compartment.

#### Prohibited Items

Please note that the following items are prohibited inside the U.S. Consulate:

- food and beverages;
- weapons or tools;
- backpacks, luggage, or large purses;
- electronic or recording equipment of any kind, including, but not limited to: laptop computers; cell phones; PDAs; cassette, CD, and MP3 players; and pagers; and
- oversized strollers.
- Nail files and nail polish

### Accompanying Persons

The following persons may accompany a visa applicant during his or her visit to the Consulate:

- Interpreters: An applicant may bring **one** interpreter if he does not speak English well enough to participate unassisted in the visa interview.
- Special Needs Visitors: Applicants may bring **one** person to help if they are elderly, disabled, or if the applicant is a minor child applying for a visa.
- Attorney: Attorneys will **NOT** be permitted to accompany clients into the waiting room or at their interviews.
- U.S. Citizens: An applicant may be accompanied by a U.S. Citizen.

Due to the limited size of our waiting room, the high volume of visa applicants, and the time required to screen consular clients, other accompanying persons cannot and will not be admitted to the Consulate. Drivers, friends, extra relatives, and others not specifically named above cannot be permitted to enter and will be asked to return to meet the applicant after the interview is complete.

## VISA INTERVIEW REQUIREMENTS

## \*Return Mail Envelope:

- Purchase a pre-paid Xpresspost mailer at Canada Post
- The mailer must be 12 inches by 15 inches (314mm X 394mm approximately)
- The mailer must be "signature required"
- For return addresses in Quebec and Ontario, you need a "Regional" Xpresspost mailer, for return addresses in other provinces, you need a "National" mailer.
- Address the envelope to your Canadian address. Passports cannot be delivered outside of Canada.
- Write your telephone number in the space provided
- Note the tracking number of the envelope for your records.